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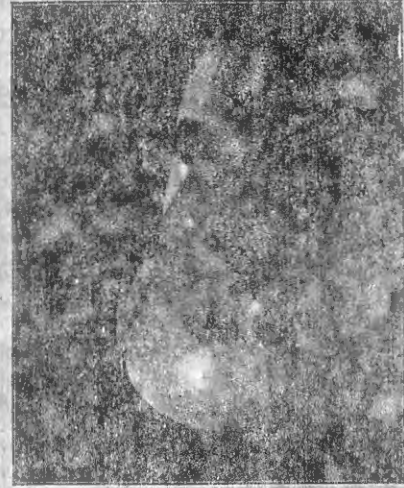
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went out on the frontiers in the following spring (1868), at the time of the move south. He was one of one hundred and ten men detailed, in case the order should be given, to destroy Salt Lake City, and make it a barren, desolate waste. He was elected a member of the city council of Provo, and served as councillor in 1861 and 1865, and as alderman and justice of the peace for the years 1864, 1872-73 and 1874. Feb. 23, 1861, he was appointed recorder and auditor of Provo city, and continued in that office until February, 1875, except the year 1863. His father, William Nuttall, died at Provo March 14, 1864, aged 67 years. L. John was appointed probate and county clerk of Utah county by Judge Zeruabbel Snow, and took the oath of office March 21, 1861, and held said office until September, 1875. August 31, 1861, he received orders and fitted out for an exploring expedition to Utah valley for the purpose of locating and making settlements of the Saints in that section of country. He left home on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 1861, in company with William B. Pace, James W. Lovelass, John W. Turner, Peter M. Wentz, Alex. Wilkins, James W. Cummings and four others. They joined another company from Salt Lake City for this same purpose in Strawberry valley. They thoroughly explored that country, then occupied by the Ute Indians, and returned home on Sept. 17th. On Monday, Aug. 8, 1864, he was elected county recorder for Utah county and was re-elected five subsequent terms, holding the office till September, 1875. He was elected colonel of the first regiment, First Brigade, Utah Military District, May 8, 1866, and received his commission from Governor Charles Durkee. Aug. 15, 1866, he left Provo in command of a detachment of cavalry and proceeded on an expedition against the Ute Indians in Sevier county, accompanied by Major Samuel S. Jones, Captain Caleb W. Haws and sixty-nine officers, rank and file. The expedition was a part of the Black Hawk war; the command was made up mostly of young men from Utah county, only eight of whom were married. Aug. 21, 1867, L. John was married, a High Priest under the hands of Aaron Johnson, and set apart as High Councilor in the Utah Stake of Zion; he was also set apart as clerk of the High Council,



Elder William W. Allen, Henry White and Sister Elizabeth Roper, organized a Sunday school at Provo, wherein classes were conducted in the first log meeting house at that place, these persons officiating as officers and teachers. L. John was ordained a Teacher Feb. 22, 1867, by Bishop Elias H. Blackburn, and was ordained a Seventy, May 19, 1867, under the hands of William R. Carter and Seely Owens; he became a member of the 20th quorum of Seventy. From August to September, 1867, as regimental adjutant of the First Regiment, Utah Military District, he took an active part in defending the rights of the people in what was known as the Buchanan war. He was in the mountains, exposed to the perils, hardships and winter weather, and again

NUTTALL, Leonard John, president of the Kanab Stake of Zion from 1877 to 1884, is the son of William Nuttall and Mary Langhorn, and was born July 6, 1834. His early education was had at St. Brides School, Liverpool. At the age of thirteen and a half years he was bound an apprentice as a ship and boat builder. He and his parents and brother Joseph were baptized in Liverpool Oct. 8, 1850, by Apostle John Taylor, and L. John was confirmed by Elder John Lindsay. Oct. 11, 1850, his elder brother William having been baptized one month earlier. The family composed of parents and children (William, L. John and Joseph) emigrated to Utah in 1852. They sailed from Liverpool March 6, 1853, crossing the Atlantic in the ship "Rockaway,"

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